

27, 28 June 2015 * Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles



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“The Eastern Rites are the Treasure of the Catholic Church”

St. John XXIII, Pope of Rome

- Liturgies:** Saturday 4:00 p.m., * Sunday 10:00 a.m. * Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m. in the St. Jude Chapel
The Miraculous Medal and the St Jude Novenas are on Tuesday following the 9 a.m. Liturgy
- Sick Calls:** To receive the Eucharist and/or the Anointing of the Sick, Please call Fr. Larry.
- Confessions:** A Half-hour before all scheduled Liturgies, emergencies, and by appointment.
- Baptisms:** Call the Office
- Marriage:** Call the Office **6 months** before you finalize a date for your wedding and book your reception.

***Suggested donation** for the Sanctuary Candles, St. Jude Chapel \$20, St Joseph Church \$20, for the Altar Bread, \$25, and the Wine, \$25.
Suggested offering for Liturgies: \$10 for weekdays - \$15 for weekends.

Choir Director: Fefa Deeb	Sacristans: Theresa Nemer & Laurie Nale	Parish Secretary: Paula Mitchell
Teachers	DRE: 3-5 th Lenore Boles, K-1 st Rosanna Joseph, 2 nd Jane Lee	
Parish Council:	Sheila Bonenfant, Lisa Grard, Lowell Hawes, Rosanna Joseph, Pearley Lachance, David Lee, & Aaron Rowden,	
Ex-officio:	Subdeacon Steve Crate, Lenore Boles DRE, Paula Mitchell, Rosary Sodality, Larry Mitchell, Knights of Columbus	

Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The question of who Jesus is continues to be asked. For some it is asking about a man who lived long ago, Some don't believe He lived at all, for some it is a question of searching for a deeper relationship with

a Savior and Lord, a Redeemer, the Messiah.

We can not exhaust the answers or opinions to the question of who Jesus is, for Jesus is not just a man, not just a John the Baptizer with a message of repentance, not just an Elijah or Jeremiah, who speaks as a prophet making known the will and presence of God. He is all these things and more.

Who would feel threatened by a wise, caring, holy man? There were claims by Jesus, that caused some to hate Him and see Him as serious threat to their personal beliefs. Peter professed something beyond natural understanding. It took the Spirit of Holiness enlightening the imperfect Peter to declare Jesus as the Messiah. It was action of the Holy Spirit to confess Christ as the Messiah.

Jesus chose to use this confession of Peter to reveal one of the ways the Holy Spirit would be used to build up the Church. It is important to remember that the word used for church or synagogue in the Scriptures is not referring to a building, but the assembly, those gathered together because they believe in Jesus Christ as the Son of God.

There are many things we can believe about Jesus. Some of those things can be false. To have a full

and complete knowledge of Jesus can only be possible through the power of the Holy Spirit. It is the belief of the Catholic faith that Jesus chose this way to make sure there is a way to safeguard the truth and full message of Jesus Christ. The key, the binding confession of faith is bound and protected by the Holy Spirit sharing its truth with Peter.

Jesus wanted others to know He was the Messiah, but He knew for people to believe accurately that He was the Messiah, it must be built on a firm foundation of faith, faith filled experiences, and accurate understanding of the miracles and teachings that He brought into the world. He needed time to teach the Apostles more about Himself, and what to preach to the four corners of the world. For He is God who emptied Himself of His glory to be like us in all things but sin, to free us.

One of the difficulties of any assembly of people to present their purpose of organizing is that the flaws and weakness of the members can get in the way of their ability to carry out their purpose. There is the temptation to "disorganize" thinking that will make the message more believable because "we got rid" of what we think gets in the way of the message. This response leaves the message neglected and forgotten or so changed that it is no longer authentic. When there is something that we really believe, and we really believe that the answer to all the bad news is the good news; we do try to organize a way to make it possible to bring this news to others.

The Feast of Peter and Paul is recognizing who carried out the will of God to go out and teach all Jesus commanded them to teach, to carry the Gospel to the four corners of the world. **Aboona**

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

*Heal Your servants, who are sick,
O Lord, and send them help
And comfort from Your holy place.*

Those who seek our prayers: **Jerry Fortin, Herb Jabar, Albert Joseph, Betsy Joseph, John M. Joseph, Debbie Leary, Theresa Lee, Mary Morneau, Hope Murphy, Debbie Pomelow, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin, Kevin Scully.**

Be sure to let Aboona know if you would like a name added or removed.

July Food Pantry

Bisquick Variety soups
Cake mixes Personal care items

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and help.

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced

2nd Collections: July 12 Fuel Collection

Liturgy: Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

Entrance chant: Pg. 564, Creed: Pg. 748,

Anaphora of the Twelve Apostles Pg. 754

This week's Songs: The Song number and page are on the back of the bulletin.

Liturgy Intentions

Sat 27 4:00 p.m.

† **Joseph & Mary Smus**

By Paula, David, & Pat Smus

Sun 28 10:00 a.m.

† **Jibryne & Jeannette Karter**

By The Family

When the servers go to the side altar, those who will be carrying the gifts may go at this time.

There will be no Weekday Liturgy while I am gone. There will be a Communion Service on Wednesday and Friday.

Wed 1 9:00 a.m. **(Communion Service)**

Fri 3 9:00 a.m. **(Communion Service)**

Sat 4 4:00 p.m.

† **Gerard Nadeau**

By The Family

Sun 5 10:00 a.m.

† **Marion Maroon**

By Dan & Katrina Plourde

Liturgy Codes: †= Faithful Departed, SI=Special Intention, BD=Birthday, AV.=Anniversary, H=Health.

*The wise don't expect to find life worth living;
they make it that way.*

~Anon.

See someone new? Make them feel at home, and hopefully they will call it their home. There is no such thing as outsiders.

SUMMER COMFORT

Dress with modesty for a sacred and special place.

If we seek God in all things
we shall find God by our side.

~St. Peter Claver

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$1,184.00

God bless you for your generosity.

If you are not receiving envelopes and would like to start, please let the office know.

June Devotions

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

For Deeb and Dale Ferris

By the family

St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle

For Yvonne Nemer

By Lowell and Mary Hawes

Altar Bread

Available

Altar Wine:

For the Maroon Joseph Family

By Al & Ruth Joseph

Do you have anything stored in the Maronite Center (School)? Please contact Larry Mitchell if you want it back. 313-0153. The School's removal will be some time later this summer.

I am sure there is sadness in reaching this point after more than 12 years of trying. Those who tried to make a go of making the school a source of income or least not a source of more expenses were unable to accomplish this. There are many ideas but none turned out to be feasible due to the cost of bringing the building up to code and the costs of heating and maintaining the building.

READERS SCHEDULE

Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul

2 Corinthians 11:21-30 Matthew 16:13-20

4 p.m. June 27 Lila Hallowell

10 a.m. 28 Joe Rowden

Seventh Sunday of Pentecost

2 Corinthians 3:1-6 Luke 10:1-7

4 p.m. July 4 Lenore Boles

10 a.m. 5 Joe Rowden

EVENTS FOR JUNE

Sat 27 Fundraiser for Refugees in Lebanon

Mon 29 Maronite Priest Conference begins

EVENTS FOR JULY

Wed 1 NAM Convention starts in Cleveland

Fri 17 Aboona Returns

Mon 20 9th Anniversary for Fr. Larry being here

Coffee Schedule

June 21: Larry and Gareth for the rest of the Summer

Vocation Icon – Prayers for Vocations

A family or an individual takes home with them a devotional of prayers and an Icon to pray for a week for vocations. It is returned at the end of the week and the next individual or family takes it home.

We have two Vocation Icons, so I am hoping that some people on **Saturday** will sign up to take it home also. You can take it home more than once.

(Icon schedule will continue when Aboona returns from vacation.)

Silent Auction June 27 and dinner.

So far these are items that we have been pledged for the silent auction:

Hand Knit Scarves by Maureen Cullen

A Will and a Power of Attorney from Aaron

Rowden of Schneider and Brewer

Works of Art from Dot Guerette and Yvonne

Batson

Giftware from Denise Dorrian

Restaurant Gift Certificates from; Governors,

Cancun, Jewel of India, Green Bean Café

Ceramics Class from Exoptica Studio

Hand Made Jewelry from Pick of the Earth

Massage Therapy by Stacy

Gift Certificate from Sign of the Sun

\$150 Certificate Computer Service from J Karter

Yarn from Yardgoods

Movie Passes from Railroad Square Cinema

Gift Basket from Mary Kay

JBL Computer Speaker System from Lowell

Hawes